stages of negotiation. On completion of the formalities regarding the feestock supply agreements and acquisition of land, the project authorities expect the project to be commissioned in 44 months.

Sale of drugs at higher rates by Johnson and Johnson

† 189. SHRI MUNA WAR HASAN: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a case of causing loss to common consumer and Government to the tune of almost Rs.fifty crore has been registered by the CBI in January, 2002 agaist Johnson and Johnson, a famous pharmaceutical company, for selling drugs on higher rates;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of steps being taken by Government against the company?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SATYA BRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) to (c) No such case has been registered by CBI during January, 2002. However, it is a fact that CBI has registered a Regular Case RC-07/2001-SIU.XI on 24.12.2001 under Section 120-B IPC read with Section 420, IPC read with Section 7&10 of Essential Commodities Act and substantive offences thereunder against M/s N.R. Jet Enterprises Limited, Mahim, Mumbai through its Directors, M/s Johnson & Johnson Limited, Mumbai through its Directors & others on the allegation of causing loss to common consumer and Government to the tune of almost Rs.50 crores for selling drugs on higher rates.

Revival and Expansion of Fertilizer Units

190. SHRI ANANTA SETHI: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the policy of Government with regard to revival of sick fertilizer units and expansion of the existing units;

(b) the steps taken in that direction during Ninth Five Year Plan and the programme drawn up thereon for Tenth Five Year Plan;

(c) whether any effort is being made to achieve self-sufficiencey in fertilizer;

(d) if so, the achievement made in that regard in Ninth Five Year Plan; and

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.